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b. The [redacted] Record Section contains a thick file labeled "Escher Case". As [redacted] recalls, this file contains the dossiers and English reports of the investigation of the Edelweiss Movement, an underground Nazi movement supported by Josef Adolf ESCHER and others, which resulted in the trial and conviction of a number of persons for treason against the Austrian State. The file also contains memoranda for the record written by the present chief of operations of FCB, who at that time assisted ESCHERHAUSEN and ESCHER who were agents of [redacted] Linz. [redacted] is familiar with these events and can provide detailed information.

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From RUPERTSBERGER

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16 March 1953

Chief of Base, Salzburg
Attn: Chief of Operations

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Operational/SECURITY/RUDOLF
Dr. Franz RUPERTSBERGER

REFERENCE: KASA-985

1. Following paragraphs contain comments which [redacted] was asked to make on [redacted] emailed report on his first meeting with Franz RUPERTSBERGER, police director of Linz.

2. Grunske, an OeVP man with conservative leanings, always made much of the fact that RUPERTSBERGER's political support within the police came from the SPOe. Grunske's remarks dropped over the course of a year indicated that RUPERTSBERGER may be privy to certain confidential activities of the Socialists and may have Minister/Chancellor FIGL's confidence in certain matters. The shifting of local balances of power which may result from the recent elections may possibly raise RUPERTSBERGER's status within the police. If so, he is a valuable target.

3. [redacted] is unfamiliar with the background of speculation concerning RUPERTSBERGER's "Redcap potential". In the days when RUPERTSBERGER was a part of Gregory project ARMIN, one of his agents in the Muehlviertel was Dr. Rudolf FISCHER who at that time lived at Freistadtstrasse and claimed to have three agents who were penetrating the KPOe in the Muehlviertel and who had direct or indirect Soviet contacts. We never considered that FISCHER was worth exploiting for his Redcap potential.

4. The Graulen Record Section contains a thick file labeled "Becher Case". As [redacted] recalls, this file contains the Gregory and Graylet reports of the investigation of the Schlueter Movement, an underground Nazi movement supported by Josef Adolf HELLER and others, which resulted in the trial and conviction of a number of persons for treason against the Austrian State. The file also contains memoranda for the record written by the present chief of operations of FCB, who at that time assisted RUPERTSBERGER and HELLER who were agents of Gregory, Linz. [redacted] is familiar with these events and can provide detailed information.

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5. One gets the impression, possibly erroneous, that the approach to [redacted] was made under such cover as to identify the case officer as a [redacted] type. Normally a case officer approaching such an old hand in the business as [redacted] also indicates that he does not belong to CIA or CIC automatically serves notice that he is [redacted]. If it is not too late, the case officer might consider trying to persuade [redacted] that he belongs to some such organization as Air Force Technical Intelligence, which would have a legitimate interest in Russia and would possibly send an officer on TDY from Washington to Austria. This seems particularly important because of the long-standing enmity between [redacted] and Orenko. If Orenko, who always does his best to keep penetrations in [redacted]'s office, learns that [redacted] has approached [redacted] he will possibly feel resentment against his greenest and former [redacted] case officers who have always appeared to agree with him that [redacted] belongs to one of the lower species of life.

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Chief of Base, [redacted]
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Operational/ZRBOOST/ZRROOF
Mr. Frank [redacted]

SUBJECT: ZRBOOST-985

16 March 1973

1. Following paragraphs contain comments which I [redacted] was asked to make on [redacted] excellent report on his first meeting with Frank [redacted] police director of Linz.

2. Grunda, an OVP man with conservative leanings, always made much of the fact that [redacted]'s political support within the police comes from the SPÖ. Grunda's remarks dropped over the course of a year indicated that [redacted] may be privy to certain confidential activities of the Socialists and may have Minister Otto [redacted]'s confidence in certain matters. The shifting of local balances of power which may result from the recent elections may possibly raise [redacted]'s status within the police. If so, he is a valuable target.

3. [redacted] is unfamiliar with the background of speculation concerning [redacted]'s "Kodoyo potential". In the days when [redacted] was a part of [redacted] one of his assets in the [redacted] was [redacted] who at that time lived at Vöcklabruck and claimed to have three agents who were penetrating the SPÖ in the [redacted] and direct or indirect Soviet contacts. We never considered that [redacted] was working exploiting for his Kodoyo potential.

4. The Station Record Section contains a thick file labeled "Station Case". As [redacted] recalls, this file contains the Station and [redacted] investigation of the Kolarics Komplex, an [redacted] by Josef Adolf [redacted] and others, which resulted in the [redacted] of a number of persons for treason against the Republic [redacted] contains memoranda for the record written by the present Chief of [redacted] of [redacted], who at that time assisted [redacted] and knew the case [redacted] Linz. [redacted] is familiar with these events and the persons involved in them.

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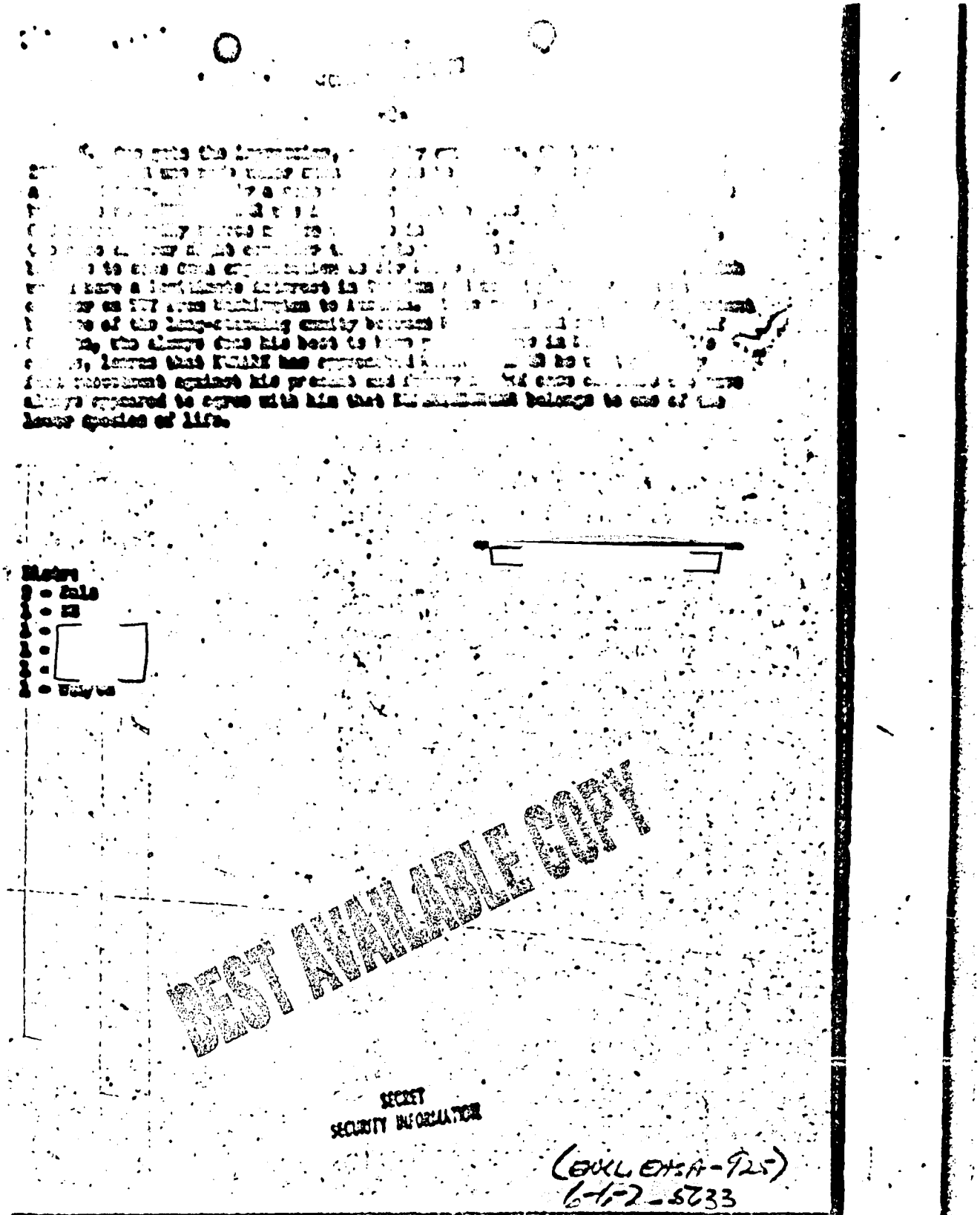

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